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Mr. Jorge Ayala
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Dear Director Ayala,

As the U.S. Representative for the First Congressional District of Arkansas, I write to express my support of the City of Osceola's grant proposal submitted to the U.S. Economic Development Administration for Public Works funding.

I understand that if awarded, EDA funds would help Osceola officials in their efforts to improve their wastewater infrastructure needs by removing the industrial waste from the public system will allow the current collection system to handler the additional flow created from the COVID-19 pandemic to be used by the public. Funding for this project would also allow them to provide sewer service to all existing and future users without any excessive rate increases to those users.

I proudly support the City of Osceola's grant application as part of an ongoing plan to improve wastewater infrastructure in the East Arkansas region, which ultimately improves the quality of life of my constituents. Thank you for your time and attention, and I request that you give this worthy project serious and all due consideration when making final funding decisions.

Sincerely,



Rick Crawford
Member of Congress